

Motion Picture Beauty Offers Heart to Handsomest Man

Violet Mesereau Willing To Be Somebody's Valentine After Contest.

Violet Mesereau has graduated from the business of being a photoplayer to that of a real valentine for the winner of a beauty contest. The many friends of Miss Mesereau in Washington have been surprised to learn from letters received from her that she determined to offer her heart and hand to the handsomest man in the United States. And—possibly with the idea of finding out just who the handsomest man might be—a "handsome man" contest has been organized by the Universal Film Company. Miss Mesereau has come into the matter of being a human valentine in a very cold-blooded way. She declares she doesn't care what sort of a man wins the contest—only let her state the "only" herself.

"I've got to be somebody's valentine—and the cards seem to say that I have—I want to have a few general specifications observed, at least," she writes to her Washington friends. "I have never been anybody's valentine before and it strikes me as being a rather important thing. Of course if the person whose valentine I am to be comes up to the specifications I'll marry him—I don't care whether he works in a coal mine or is breaking bronchos in Montana. But listen—he's got to come up to the specifications thus:

"Well, I should like to have the man I marry tall, broad shouldered, with dark eyes and hair streaked with gray on the sides. He must have fine white, even teeth; an excellent disposition, and, above all things, a deep, mellow voice. "Of course, he must be brave. I think the average big, handsome man is far from being a coward. I will propose to the man who wins the contest which is now being held by the Universal because I believe it will take an ideal man to win it. The stipulations of this contest say that the winner must be handsome, but, in addition to this, he must be physically and mentally, as well as morally equipped. Such a man is worthy of any woman's love. The most wonderful thing in this world is a real man. But real men are very scarce."

"What kind of a husband would I want? Well, I want a husband who will first of all, return my affection. I must not love him more than he loves me. If I do, little jealousies will arise, followed by misunderstandings, which will be certain to culminate in sorrow. A successful marriage is where two people love each other equally. They must continually interest each other. The moment they cease to be interested in one another the spell of romance is broken; and where there is no romance there is no love."

Anybody feeling the need of a first class valentine who can cook and keep house, and who is as well as invited to apply to Miss Mesereau. G. M.



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BLANCHE SWEET,

Who appears at Crandall's tomorrow and Thursday in D. W. Griffith's production of the "Aven-

RECORD COLD NIGHT MAKES CITY SHIVER

Low Official Mark of 6 Above. Zoo Reports 2 Below. Coasting Fine.

Low temperature records for the winter were smashed last night. As predicted by the Weather Bureau yesterday, the night was colder than any this winter. The lowest official temperature recorded at the bureau was 6 degrees above zero.

In other sections of the city, however, temperatures several degrees below this figure were reported. At the Zoological Park 2 below at 7 o'clock this morning was registered.

While there is no ice skating as yet, except on the lake at the Zoo and other small sheets of water, coasting and sleighing never were better in Washington.

Packed down until it is almost as firm and smooth as ice, the snow on the various streets of the city offers excellent opportunity for amusement to the small boy with his sled. Many

thousands of Washington's younger folks were out last night at the various hills to enjoy the sport. Little Tommy was there with his new sled, as was Willie with his "flier." There also were the larger boys and girls who, with the so-called trucks, constructed with a broad board and two sleds, were taking as many as fifteen passengers down at one trip. The night was ideal for the sport, there being an abundance of moonlight and no wind.

Although rising temperature is predicted for tonight and tomorrow, indications are that the coasting will continue good for several days.

Kindergarten Officers Arrange For Convention

The District Kindergarten Association gave a luncheon at El Madison place yesterday for Miss Catherine R. Watkins, the president of the International Kindergarten Union, and other officers who are in Washington to arrange for the May convention in Cleveland.

Man Is Dangerously Cut; Alleged Assailant Held

George Marlow, colored, 1604 C street southeast, is in Emergency Hospital with a dangerous stab wound in the lungs. Charles Washington, also colored, is under arrest, charged with the assault.

The police of the First precinct say Marlow was stabbed during an altercation with Washington in the National Museum grounds early today.

WANT BRANCH OFFICE IN CONGRESS HEIGHTS

Public Improvement Body Will Ask City Postmaster to Re-establish It.

The Public Improvement Association of Congress Heights met last night in the town hall in Alabama avenue, when the question of securing improved postal facilities was discussed. Several months ago the branch office here was eliminated, and in its place a substation established.

L. D. Weeks pointed out delinquencies in the service, and E. J. Newcomb called attention to the fact that it was impossible to purchase 1 cent stamps on several occasions. The city postmaster will be asked to re-establish the branch office.

Drainage will be provided at Eighth street and Alabama avenue, and Seventh street between Portland street and Alabama avenue also will be improved.

An invitation to attend a meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association to be held Friday night was accepted. A letter was read from Commissioner Kutz indicating that a sewer would be extended in Milwaukee place, in the Wahler subdivision, where fifty houses

will be immediately served, and that extensions along Nichols avenue and to Horner's subdivision would have to wait until the extension of trunk sewers is completed.

The railroad company will be asked to designate definite stops for its cars on the extension along Nichols avenue from Alabama avenue.

J. A. Marrero and T. D. Gillin were elected members.

Sure Way To Get Rid Of Dandruff

There is one sure way that never fails to remove dandruff completely, and that is to dissolve it. This destroys it entirely. To do this, just get about four ounces of plain, ordinary liquid arvon; apply it at night when retiring; use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

By morning, most if not all, of your dandruff will be gone, and three or four more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single sign and trace of it, no matter how much dandruff you may have.

You will find, too, that all itching and digging of the scalp will stop instantly, and your hair will be fluffy, lustrous, glossy, silky and soft, and look and feel a hundred times better.

You can get liquid arvon at any drug store. It is inexpensive, and four ounces is all you will need. This simple remedy has never been known to fail.

—Advt.

TODAY'S BEAUTY HELP

You can keep your hair at its very best by washing it with a teaspoonful of canthox dissolved in a cup of hot water, afterward rinsing thoroughly with clear water. One finds that the hair dries quickly and evenly, is unstrained, bright, soft and very fluffy, so fluffy in fact, that it looks more abundant than it is, and so soft that arranging it becomes a pleasure. This simple, inexpensive shampoo cleanses the hair and scalp thoroughly of all dandruff and dirt, and leaves a clean, wholesome feeling. All scalp irritation will disappear, and the hair will be brighter and glossier than ever before.—Advt.

To Peel Off Blotchy, Rough or Chapped Skin

To remove roughness, chaps, freckles, blotches, or any complexion difficulty, the best thing to do is to remove the skin itself. This is easily, painlessly and inexpensively done by the application of ordinary mercurized wax, procurable at any drug store in the original one-ounce package. The wax absorbs the defective outer skin, a little each day, gradually bringing the second layer of skin to the surface. The pores are unclogged and the face breathes in the life-giving oxygen. The new skin is beautifully soft and spotless, bearing the healthy glow of youth. Just apply the wax as you would cold cream, only not rubbing it in. In the morning wash it off with warm water. It's the most effective complexion treatment known.

To remove wrinkles it is a good plan to bathe the face once a day for a while in a harmless solution made by dissolving an ounce of powdered ascorbic acid in a half pint of witch hazel. There is nothing that will so surely erase the hateful lines.—Advt.

Can't Stand the Work

No matter how hard a man's work is he can enjoy it if he has a clear head, a sound body and steady nerves. But lame, aching backs and "jumpy" nerves make hard work harder.

Often it's only weak kidneys. The work itself may bring kidney trouble. Work that requires constant bending, reaching, stooping, or lifting strains the kidneys in time. So will jolting, vibration, dampness, sudden changes of heat and cold, chemical fumes, or being always on one's feet.

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Henry B. Walthall and Blanche Sweet in "The Avening Conscience," adapted from Edgar Allan Poe's "The Tell-Tale Heart," directed by David W. Griffith, Crandall's, Ninth and B streets.

Harry Carey and Jane Novak in "Graft," ninth installment (Universal), the Hippodrome, Ninth street and New York avenue.

Theodore Roberts in "Mr. Grex of Monte Carlo" (Lasky), the Circle, 2106 Pennsylvania avenue.

Jane Grey and Tully Marshall in "Let Katy Do It" (Triangle), the Garden, 425 Ninth street.

George Fawcett, Clara Williams, and Willard Mack in "The Corner" (Triangle), the Strand, Ninth and D streets.

Charlotte Walker and Theodore Roberts in "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," adapted from the book by John Fox, Jr., and the play by Eugene Walter (Lasky), Loew's Columbia, Twelfth and F streets.

Valiska Suratt in "The Immigrant" (Lasky), the Loew, Ninth, between E and F streets.

German pictures of the war, prepared by the editor of the Fatherland, Gayety Theater, Ninth, between E and F streets.

Robert Leonard and Ella Hall in "Just From Sweden" (Universal), the Alhambra, 519 Seventh street.

Julia Dean and Justina Huff in "The Ransom" (Equitable), the Masonic Auditorium, Thirteenth street and New York avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle in "The Whirl of Life," the Casino, F near Seventh street.

Thurlof Bergen in "The City," adapted from the play by Clyde Fitch, Crandall's, Apollo, 624 I street northeast.

Regina Badet in "No Greater Love" (Bell), the Home Theater, Twelfth and C streets northeast.

Note—These selections are made from programs prepared by the managers of the theaters concerned, and no responsibility is assumed for arbitrary changes without notice to The Times. They are based on the personality of the players and the producing company, and not personal inspection, except in special cases. G. M.

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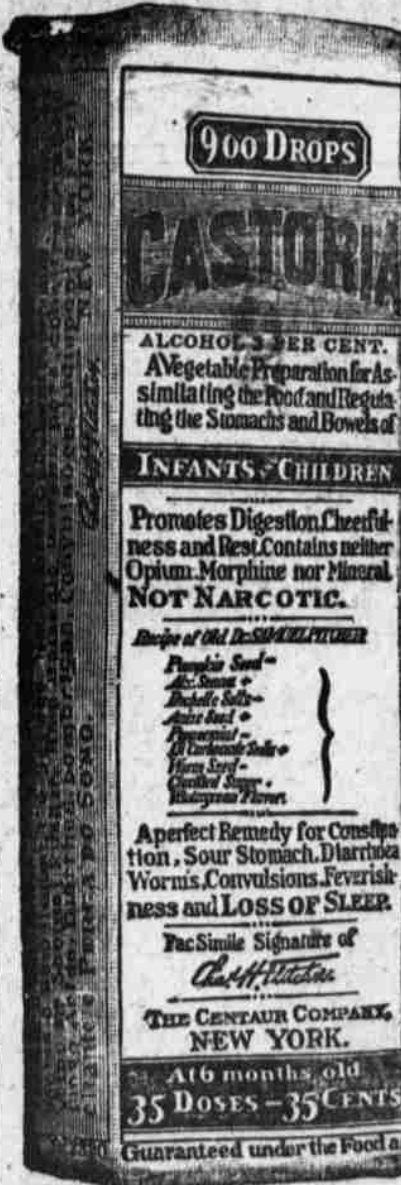
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